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Dr. Herman W. Lewis
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Dear Herman,

I am especially looking forward to seeing you next week, both to discuss the situation of the Naples-Pavia cooperation, and the proposal that we are submitting from this department. We are completing the latter for formal submission in the next few days. Meanwhile, I thought there might be some advantage in sending you its essential outline, hoping this might help to focus our discussion.

Your emphasis on the convergence of molecular biology and genetics in your report was especially encouraging; needless to say we wholeheartedly agree!

The one aspect of genetic research here that is not covered by our program application is population genetics, which is represented mainly by an attempt to wring what can be from the U.S. Census. However, this seemed rather distant from the main theme of the proposal so we felt it might be more distracting than helpful to include it. Furthermore, its requirements are quite different in kind, and so far we have been fortunate to be able to get reasonable support for that whole package from NIH. We are also lucky to have been able to arrange with the Census Bureau to station one of their agents at Stanford, together with the tape files of interest.

Sincerely,



Joshua Lederberg,
Professor of Genetics

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Enclosure